

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 700  
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A RESOLUTION to recognize Ms. Katherine Young, 2000  
Salutatorian of Hendersonville High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those persons who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Katherine Young is one such exceptional student who recently was named salutatorian of the 2000 graduating class at Hendersonville High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unyielding commitment of time and talent, Ms. Young has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students of Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Katherine has earned an exemplary 4.0 grade point average while actively participating in several clubs and organizations, including the Latin Club and Quill and Scroll; and

WHEREAS, a gifted athlete, Katherine Young has stood out on the soccer field and basketball court. She is a member of both the Women's Varsity Soccer and Basketball teams, of which she has served her teammates as a co-captain of the latter for the past year; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of her outstanding athletic skills in soccer, Katherine was named the Hendersonville Classic MVP Defense, the All-District Team MVP, the All-County Team MVP Defense, the All-Region Team MVP, the All-Midstate Team, and the All-State Team for the past two years and was selected for the All-County and All-District Teams for three consecutive years, in addition to achieving leading scorer status and being named MVP for her team; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Young was also nominated for the prestigious Wendy's High School Heisman Award in 1999 and was awarded the TSSAA Scholar Athlete Award of Merit, in addition to donating her limited spare time to the world of sports as a Level 8 referee for HSL games and other tournaments, as well as working as a clockkeeper for church basketball. Her classmates have duly noted her athleticism by voting her "Most Athletic" in the senior superlatives; and

WHEREAS, possessing exceptional organizational and leadership skills, Katherine has served as Beta Club Vice-President, Yearbook Editor, a Youth Alive and Free Peer Leader, and a 1999 Volunteer Girls State delegate; and

WHEREAS, she has shown her incredible intellect as a member of the National Honor Society, Knowledge Masters, a Brain Bowl participant, and as an attendee at the Math Competition at the University of Tennessee and the Western Kentucky History competition. She is also an integral member of the Math Team, placing third in the district in 1998, fourth in the district in 1999, seventh in the region, and tenth in the state in 1998 for geometry; and

WHEREAS, as a result of her phenomenal SAT and ACT scores, Katherine was named as a National Merit Semi-Finalist and National Merit Finalist; and

WHEREAS, due to her countless awards and accomplishments, Ms. Young was listed in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, Katherine Young's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, a civic-minded young lady whose benevolent nature knows no bounds, Ms. Young has selflessly lent her numerous talents to many community organizations, including the Rock Castle Historic Site, Future Stars, Daniel Smith Days, and indoor soccer tournaments, in addition to working as a clockkeeper for Junior Varsity basketball games and collecting cans for food drives at her high school; and

WHEREAS, Katherine's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Burl and Arlene Young, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Young's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIRST GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2000 Hendersonville High School Salutatorian, Ms. Katherine Young, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.